

Claims

- [c1] A simulated exposed roof rafter end for mounting to a building having an eave comprising a soffit and a fascia, the simulated exposed roof rafter end comprising:
a sleeve portion and a mounting portion, the mounting portion being adapted for attachment to a building, and the sleeve portion being adapted for slidable attachment to the mounting portion and comprising a distal end having an architectural design.
- [c2] The simulated exposed roof rafter end of claim 1 wherein the mounting portion is a frame.
- [c3] The simulated exposed roof rafter end of claim 1 wherein the mounting portion is a block of wood.
- [c4] The simulated exposed roof rafter end of claim 3 wherein the block of wood is a rafter end.
- [c5] The simulated exposed roof rafter end of claim 1 wherein the sleeve portion comprises a top wall, a bottom wall, and a pair of spaced-apart side walls for enclosing the mounting portion.
- [c6] The simulated exposed roof rafter end of claim 1 wherein the mounting portion is attached to the soffit and the sleeve portion comprises a bottom wall and a pair of spaced-apart side walls for enclosing the mounting portion.
- [c7] The simulated exposed roof rafter end of claim 1 and further comprising an integral electrical socket and wiring for operable attachment of a light bulb.
- [c8] The simulated exposed roof rafter end of claim 1 and further comprising a proximal end having an integral rain gutter support and a rain gutter supported therein.
- [c9] The simulated exposed roof rafter end of claim 8 wherein the rain gutter support comprises a cradle having a profile complementary to the cross-sectional profile of the rain gutter.

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| [c10] | The simulated exposed roof rafter end of claim 9 wherein the rain gutter support further comprises a top strap extending over the rain gutter. |
| [c11] | The simulated exposed roof rafter end of claim 9 and further comprising a web portion terminating in a peripheral flange. |
| [c12] | The simulated exposed roof rafter end of claim 9 and further comprising at least one retaining flange retaining the rain gutter in the cradle. |
| [c13] | The simulated exposed roof rafter end of claim 12 wherein the at least one retaining flange comprises a retaining flange extending laterally from the distal end and a retaining lip depending from the retaining flange. |
| [c14] | The simulated exposed roof rafter end of claim 12 wherein the at least one retaining flange comprises a retaining flange extending laterally from the proximal end and a retaining lip depending from the retaining flange. |
| [c15] | The simulated exposed roof rafter end of claim 8 wherein the rain gutter comprises a flexible, sheet-like rain gutter. |
| [c16] | In combination with a roof eave comprising a fascia and a soffit, a simulated exposed roof rafter end comprising:
a sleeve portion and a mounting portion, the mounting portion is attached to a building, and the sleeve portion is slidably attached to the mounting portion and comprising a distal end having an architectural design. |
| [c17] | The simulated exposed roof rafter end of claim 16 wherein the mounting portion is a frame. |
| [c18] | The simulated exposed roof rafter end of claim 16 wherein the mounting portion is a block of wood. |
| [c19] | The simulated exposed roof rafter end of claim 18 wherein the block of wood is a rafter end. |
| [c20] | The simulated exposed roof rafter end of claim 16 wherein the sleeve portion comprises a top wall, a bottom wall, and a pair of side walls enclosing the mounting portion. |

- [c21] The simulated exposed roof rafter end of claim 16 wherein the mounting portion is attached to the soffit and the sleeve portion comprises a bottom wall and a pair of side walls enclosing the mounting portion.
- [c22] The simulated exposed roof rafter end of claim 16 and further comprising an integral electrical socket and wiring for operable attachment of a light bulb to the simulated exposed roof rafter end.
- [c23] The simulated exposed roof rafter end of claim 16 and further comprising a proximal end having an integral rain gutter support and a rain gutter supported therein.
- [c24] The simulated exposed roof rafter end of claim 23 wherein the rain gutter support comprises a cradle having a profile complementary to the cross-sectional profile of the rain gutter.
- [c25] The simulated exposed roof rafter end of claim 24 wherein the rain gutter support further comprises a top strap extending over the rain gutter.
- [c26] The simulated exposed roof rafter end of claim 24 and further comprising a web portion terminating in a peripheral flange.
- [c27] The simulated exposed roof rafter end of claim 24 and further comprising at least one retaining flange retaining the rain gutter in the cradle.
- [c28] The simulated exposed roof rafter end of claim 27 wherein the at least one retaining flange comprises a retaining flange extending laterally from the distal end and a retaining lip depending from the retaining flange.
- [c29] The simulated exposed roof rafter end of claim 27 wherein the at least one retaining flange comprises a retaining flange extending laterally from the proximal end and a retaining lip depending from the retaining flange.
- [c30] The simulated exposed roof rafter end of claim 23 wherein the rain gutter comprises a flexible, sheet-like rain gutter.
- [c31] A simulated exposed roof rafter end for mounting to a building, the simulated exposed roof rafter end comprising:

a proximal end having mounting portion, the mounting portion being adapted for attachment to a building, and
a distal end having an integral rain gutter support, a rain gutter supported therein, and an architectural design.

- [c32] The simulated exposed roof rafter end of claim 31 wherein the rain gutter support comprises a cradle having a profile complementary to the cross-sectional profile of the rain gutter.
- [c33] The simulated exposed roof rafter end of claim 32 wherein the rain gutter support further comprises a top strap extending over the rain gutter.
- [c34] The simulated exposed roof rafter end of claim 32 and further comprising a web portion terminating in a peripheral flange.
- [c35] The simulated exposed roof rafter end of claim 32 and further comprising at least one retaining flange retaining the rain gutter in the cradle.
- [c36] The simulated exposed roof rafter end of claim 35 wherein the at least one retaining flange comprises a retaining flange extending laterally from the distal end and a retaining lip depending from the retaining flange.
- [c37] The simulated exposed roof rafter end of claim 35 wherein the at least one retaining flange comprises a retaining flange extending laterally from the proximal end and a retaining lip depending from the retaining flange.
- [c38] The simulated exposed roof rafter end of claim 31 wherein the rain gutter comprises a flexible, sheet-like rain gutter.